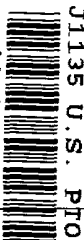




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1. Specification - 18 pages; Claims - 7 pages, including 3 independent claims and 27 claims total; Abstract - 1 page.
2. Drawings- 12 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-12).
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages).
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Caterpillar Inc. (5 pages)
5. Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), PTO-1449 and copies of cited references.

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